Clean Water Conversation

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Clean Water Initiative Program
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Outline

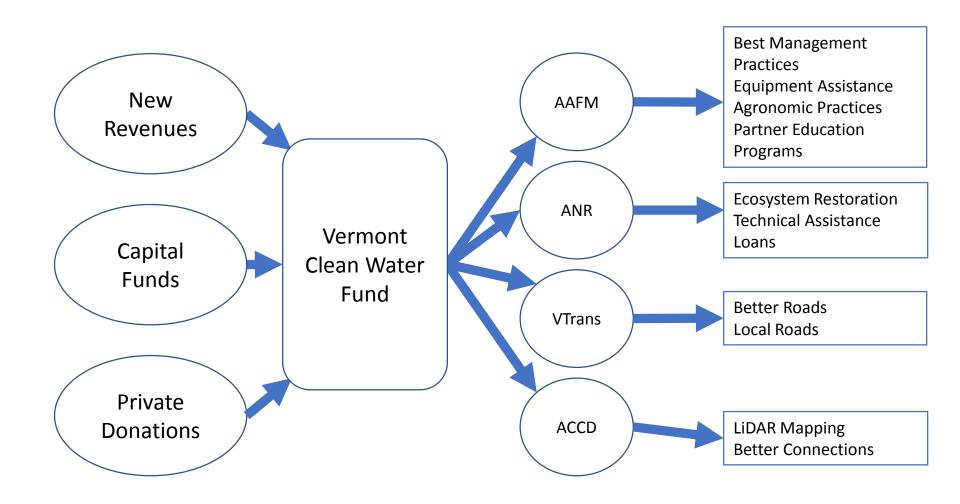
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Overview of Vermont's Clean Water Fund

Created by the Vermont Clean Water Act of 2015 Administered by Clean Water Fund Board Supported by 0.2 percent property transfer surcharge*

*In FY2019, State Capital funds are also being allocated through the Clean Water Fund process

Overview of Vermont's Clean Water Fund



Fiscal Year 2019 Clean Water Fund Budget Process Timeline

Learn more at:

http://dec.vermont.gov/watershed/cwi/cwf

June 29, 2017

CWF Board Working Meeting: Review Draft FY19 Allocations and Materials for public comment.

August 2, 2017

Public comment period ends.

August 24*, 2017

July 2, 2017

Public comment period on FY19 Proposal begins (comments collected via online

survey).

CWF Board Working Meeting: Review public comments.

September 7*, 2017

CWF Board Meeting: Deliberations and Draft FY19 Recommendation; public comment period begins.

September 28, 2017

Public comment period ends.

October 5*, 2017

CWF Board Working Meeting: Review public comments on FY19 Draft Allocations

October 18, 2017

CWF Board Meeting: Final recommendations for FY19 Allocations.

October 20, 2017

Board transmits final recommendation to Agency of Administration.

November 2017

Agency of Administration issues CWF Targets.

Opportunities for Public Participation

Comment on Next Year's Clean Water Fund.

State agencies will propose Fiscal Year 2019 (FY19) Clean Water Fund draft allocations for public input.

July 3–August 2, 2017

First Public Comment Period
Submit comments using the online survey linked at dec.vermont.gov/watershed/cwi/cwf or request a printed copy by calling Bethany Sargent at (802) 490-6131.

September 8–28, **2017**

Second Public Comment Period Send comments on updated FY19 Clean Water Fund Allocations to anr.cleanwatervt@vermont.gov.

Opportunities for Public Participation

Attend a Clean Water Fund Board Meeting.

All Clean Water Fund Board meetings are open to the public, with time allotted for public comments. For more information, visit http://dec.vermont.gov/watershed/cwi/cwf/budget-process.

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Clean Water Fund Priorities

Priority	Description
A: Sources of water pollution in Impaired Waters	Restores surface water impairment through grants, contracts or loans, targeting sources of pollution that are contributing to the water quality impairment
B. Significant sources of water pollution	Promotes cost-effectiveness by targeting sources of pollution that are significant contributors to water quality degradation
C. Riparian buffer restoration	Purchases permanent conservation easements on lands adjacent to waterways (river corridors, wetlands, riparian areas) and establishes minimum of 50-foot buffers with native vegetation
D. Compliance with municipal and State road permits	Aids municipalities and the State in implementing stormwater control practices for compliance with the municipal roads general permit and the stormwater permit pertaining to state highways
E. Education, outreach	Provides technical and educational support to municipal officials and road crews, farmers, loggers, homeowners and others about sources of water pollution, costeffective solutions to mitigate impacts and implementation support
F. Innovative technologies	Supports innovative technologies or practices to reduce water pollution from farms, municipalities' developed lands, logging areas and other sources
G. Land acquisition	Purchases land in order to take land out of practice when water quality remediation is not achievable through agricultural Best Management Practices
H. Municipal Stormwater Utilities	Provide assistance for municipalities in establishing and operating stormwater utilities
I. Municipal assistance	Aids municipalities in understanding critical sources of water pollution, and in identifying, planning and implementing priority water pollution controls
J. Geographic equity	Adds to this set of priorities some consideration of location in the distribution of funds to support regional equity

Clean Water Fund Allocations

Walk through <u>draft State Fiscal Year 2019 Clean</u> <u>Water Fund Priorities and Allocations</u>

Clean Water Week – All In for Clean Water! August 20-26, 2017

Demonstrate your support for clean water and join the Clean Water Week celebration:

- Host a Clean Water Week event
- Become a Clean Water Week Sponsor (it's free!)

Learn more and register your Clean Water Week Event and/or register as a Clean Water Week Sponsor here:

http://dec.vermont.gov/watershed/cwi/clean-water-week

Learn more and contact us...

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